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As a below named inventor, I declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name; I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural inventors are named below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: **CAMERA REFERENCED CONTROL IN A MINIMALLY INVASIVE SURGICAL APPARATUS** the specification of which is attached hereto.

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56. I claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, U.S. Code, §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.







I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, U.S. Code §119(e) of any U.S. Provisional Application(s) listed below:

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Date 8/9/99	Date 8/9/99	Date 8/9/99

POWER OF ATTORNEY BY ASSIGNEE

Intuitive Surgical, Inc. is the Assignee of the invention entitled:

**CAMERA REFERENCED CONTROL IN
A MINIMALLY INVASIVE SURGICAL APPARATUS**

the specification of which is attached hereto.

Assignee hereby appoints the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith.

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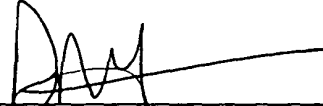

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Application No./Patent No.: Unassigned Filed/Issue Date: Herewith

Entitled: Camera Referenced Control in a Minimally Invasive Surgical Apparatus

INTUITIVE SURGICAL, INC.

a Delaware Corporation

(Name of Assignee)

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Title of Invention: CAMERA REFERENCED CONTROL IN A
MINIMALLY INVASIVE SURGICAL APPARATUS

Date(s) of execution of Declaration: 8/6/99 and 8/9/99 (fill-in)

Filing Date: HEREWITH

Application No.: UNASSIGNED; and

WHEREAS, INTUITIVE SURGICAL, INC., a corporation of the state of Delaware, located at 1340 W. Middlefield Road, Mountain View, CA, 94043, hereinafter referred to as "ASSIGNEE," is desirous of acquiring an interest in the invention and application and in any U.S. Letters Patent and Registrations which may be granted on the same;

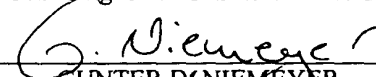
For good and valuable consideration, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by Assignors, Assignors have assigned, and by these presents do assign to Assignee all right, title and interest in and to the invention and application and to all foreign counterparts (including patent, utility model and industrial designs), and in and to any Letters Patent and Registrations which may hereafter be granted on the same in the United States and all countries throughout the world, and to claim the priority from the application as provided by the Paris Convention. The right, title and interest is to be held and enjoyed by Assignee and Assignee's successors and assigns as fully and exclusively as it would have been held and enjoyed by Assignors had this Assignment not been made, for the full term of any Letters Patent and Registrations which may be granted thereon, or of any division, renewal, continuation in whole or in part, substitution, conversion, reissue, prolongation or extension thereof.

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